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In re Patent Application of)
Francois DE GAILLARD et al.)
Application No. 10/623,805) Art Unit:
Filed: July 22, 2003) Confirmation No. 5279
For: FRAME ELEMENT FOR MOUNTING)
IN THE LOWER AREA OF THE BACK)
WINDOW OF A MOTOR VEHICLE AND A)
VEHICLE WITH ONE SUCH ELEMENT) Date: July 22, 2003

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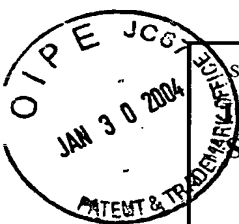


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